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This application contains sequence disclosures that are encompassed by the definitions for nucleotide and/or amino acid sequences set forth in 37 CFR 1.821(a)(1) and (a)(2). A computer readable form (CRF) of the sequence listing was submitted. However, the CRF could not be processed by the Scientific and Technical Information Center (STIC) for the reason(s) set forth on the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report.

Applicant is given ONE MONTH, or THIRTY DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this letter within which to comply with the sequence rules, 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. Failure to comply with these requirements will result in ABANDONMENT of the application under 37 CFR 1.821(g). Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no case may an applicant extend the period for reply beyond the SIX MONTH statutory period. Direct the reply to the undersigned. Applicant is requested to return a copy of the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report with the reply.

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PATENT EXAMINER

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The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825 for the following reason(s):

- 1. This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to the final rulemaking notice published at 55 FR 18230 (May 1, 1990), and 1114 OG 29 (May 15, 1990). If the effective filing date is on or after July 1, 1998, see the final rulemaking notice published at 63 FR 29620 (June 1, 1998) and 1211 OG 82 (June 23, 1998).
- 2. This application does not contain, as a separate part of the disclosure on paper copy, a "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(c).
- 3. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
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- 7. Other: _____

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- An initial or substitute paper copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as an amendment directing its entry into the specification.
- A statement that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and, where applicable, include no new matter, as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e) or 1.821(f) or 1.821(g) or 1.825(b) or 1.825(d).

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Raw Sequence Listing Error Summary

ERROR DETECTED SUGGESTED CORRECTION SERIAL NUMBER: 09/645,415

ATTN: NEW RULES CASES: PLEASE DISREGARD ENGLISH "ALPHA" HEADERS, WHICH WERE INSERTED BY PTO SOFTWARE

1 Wrapped Nucleic
Wrapped Aminos The number/text at the end of each line "wrapped" down to the next line. This may occur if your file was retrieved in a word processor after creating it. Please adjust your right margin to .3; this will prevent "wrapping."

2 Invalid Line Length The rules require that a line not exceed 72 characters in length. This includes white spaces.

3 Misaligned Amino
Numbering The numbering under each 5th amino acid is misaligned. Do not use tab codes between numbers; use space characters, instead.

4 Non-ASCII The submitted file was not saved in ASCII(DOS) text, as required by the Sequence Rules. Please ensure your subsequent submission is saved in ASCII text.

5 Variable Length Sequence(s) _____ contain n's or Xaa's representing more than one residue. Per Sequence Rules, each n or Xaa can only represent a single residue. Please present the maximum number of each residue having variable length and indicate in the <220>-<223> section that some may be missing.

6 PatentIn 2.0
"bug" A "bug" in PatentIn version 2.0 has caused the <220>-<223> section to be missing from amino acid sequences(s) _____. Normally, PatentIn would automatically generate this section from the previously coded nucleic acid sequence. Please manually copy the relevant <220>-<223> section to the subsequent amino acid sequence. This applies to the mandatory <220>-<223> sections for Artificial or Unknown sequences.

7 Skipped Sequences
(OLD RULES) Sequence(s) _____ missing. If intentional, please insert the following lines for each skipped sequence:
(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:X: (insert SEQ ID NO where "X" is shown)
(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS: (Do not insert any subheadings under this heading)
(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION:SEQ ID NO:X: (insert SEQ ID NO where "X" is shown)
This sequence is intentionally skipped

Please also adjust the "(ii) NUMBER OF SEQUENCES:" response to include the skipped sequences.

8 Skipped Sequences
(NEW RULES) Sequence(s) _____ missing. If intentional, please insert the following lines for each skipped sequence.
<210> sequence id number
<400> sequence id number
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9 Use of n's or Xaa's
(NEW RULES) Use of n's and/or Xaa's have been detected in the Sequence Listing.
Per 1.823 of Sequence Rules, use of <220>-<223> is MANDATORY if n's or Xaa's are present.
In <220> to <223> section, please explain location of n or Xaa, and which residue n or Xaa represents.

10 Invalid <213>
Response Per 1.823 of Sequence Rules, the only valid <213> responses are: Unknown, Artificial Sequence, or scientific name (Genus/species). <220>-<223> section is required when <213> response is Unknown or is Artificial Sequence

11 Use of <220> Sequence(s) 8 and more missing the <220> "Feature" and associated numeric identifiers and responses.
Use of <220> to <223> is MANDATORY if <213> "Organism" response is "Artificial Sequence" or "Unknown." Please explain source of genetic material in <220> to <223> section.
(See "Federal Register," 06/01/1998, Vol. 63, No. 104, pp. 29631-32) (Sec. 1.823 of Sequence Rules)

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